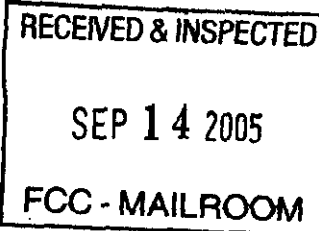


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TX PUC Project No. 25787 - FCC Letters Regarding ETC Designation Pursuant to FTA '96 §214(e) (2)

Docket No. 31399 – Application of DialTone Services, L.P. (DTS) for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 241(e) and P.U.C. Subst. R. 26.418

Docket No. 24481 – Designation of Common Carriers as Eligible Telecommunications Carrier to receive Federal Universal Funds Pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission's Fourteenth Report and Order Adopting A State Certification Process

Designation of DialToneServices L.P. - ETC Designation Amendment

Pursuant to Section 214(e) (2) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act") and 47 C.F.R. sections 54.201 – 54.203, the Texas Public Utility Commission (TPUC) has granted eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) designation to DialTone Services, L.P. (DTS) for Valor Telecommunications of Texas (Valor) and Sprint/United and Sprint/Central Telephone Company of Texas (dba Sprint). The attached *Final Order*, Docket

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No. 31399, issued on September 2, 2005, grants the amended designation for the exchanges listed in "Attachment E" of DTS' initial application, also attached.

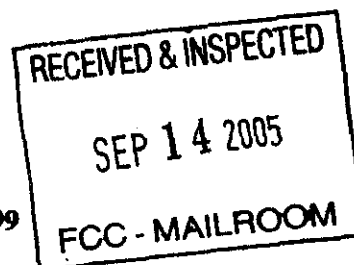
If you require any additional information please call Janis Ervin at (512)-936-7372.

Sincerely,

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Janis Ervin - Senior Policy Specialist

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DOCKET NO. 31399

APPLICATION OF
DIALTONESERVICES, L.P. (DTS) TO
AMEND ITS DESIGNATION AS AN
ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS
CARRIER AND AN ELIGIBLE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS PROVIDER
TO INCLUDE CERTAIN EXCHANGES
SERVED BY VALOR
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NOTICE OF APPROVAL FOR AN AMENDMENT TO ITS DESIGNATION AS
AN ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER AND
ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS PROVIDER

Procedural History

On July 22, 2005, DialToneServices, L.P. (DTS) filed an application for amendment of its designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) and its designation as an eligible telecommunications provider (ETP). DTS seeks to amend its designation as an ETC and an ETP to provide service in designated exchanges served by Valor Telecommunications of Texas, L.P., d/b/a Valor (Valor) and Sprint/United Telephone Company of Texas (Sprint). DTS also requested a waiver of P.U.C. SUBST. R. 26.417(f)(1)(B)(i)(II) to allow for the administrative processing of its ETC and ETP application.

DTS does not hold a Certificate of Operating Authority nor a Service Provider Certificate of Operating Authority. DTS was granted ETC and ETP designations in Docket Nos. 30765¹ and 30812,² respectively, for the exchanges of Verizon Southwest and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.

¹ Application of DialToneServices, L.P. (DTS) for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Pursuant to P.U.C. SUBST. R. 26.418, Docket No. 30765 (Aug. 2, 2005).

² Application of DialToneServices, L.P. (DTS) for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Provider (ETP) Pursuant to P.U.C. SUBST. R. 26.417, Docket No. 30812 (Aug. 2, 2005).

On August 8, 2005, Order No. 2 was filed deeming the application sufficient and granting DTS's request for simultaneous processing of its ETC and ETP application.

On August 10, 2005, DTS filed an amendment to its instant application to include "Attachment G" which stated that DTS will provide a customer service offering with unlimited minutes of local use for \$14.95 per month under the same terms and conditions provided in the instant application in addition to the service offering initially proposed with 300 minutes of local and long distance use for \$14.95 per month.³

On August 18, 2005, and August 22, 2005, respectively, Sprint and Valor filed motions to intervene in this proceeding.

On August 23, 2005, DTS provided a second amendment to its instant application in response to the motions for intervention filed by Sprint and Valor. The amendment stated that DTS is willing to serve the entire study area of each company, comprised of all 47 Sprint Central Telephone Company of Texas exchanges, 61 Sprint United Telephone Company of Texas exchanges, and the 197 Valor exchanges.

On August 26, 2005, Sprint's motion to intervene was granted. On that same date, Valor filed a motion to withdraw its request for intervention prior to any action being taken on the motion. On August 29, 2005, Sprint filed a motion to withdraw its intervention stating that, like Valor, DTS's second amendment had been satisfactory in addressing its concerns. On August 30, 2005, Sprint's motion was granted.

On August 29, 2005, Staff filed its recommendation on final disposition, stating that DTS had met all of the criteria, having committed itself to the obligations originally established by the Commission at the time of its ETC and ETP designation. Staff recommended that DTS be granted an amendment to its ETC and ETP designations for the service areas of Valor and Sprint.

³ Attachment E from the instant application and Attachment H from the amended filing on August 10, 2005, combine exchanges and constitute the entire study and service areas of Sprint and Valor.

Ordering Paragraph

Based on Staff's recommendation, pursuant to P.U.C. SUBST. R. 26.418 and 26.417, DTS's application for an amendment to its ETC and ETP designation to add the exchanges of Valor and Sprint, as amended, is approved effective September 6, 2005.

SIGNED AT AUSTIN, TEXAS the 2nd day of September 2005.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

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**IRENE MONTELONGO
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
POLICY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION**

DTS Service Area
Valor and Sprint Wire Centers

Attachment E

Wire Center Code	Town Name	RBOC / ICO
ADRNTXXA	Adrian	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
AMHRTXXA	Amherst	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#1
ANNNTXXA	Annona	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#1
ATONTXXA	Austonio	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
AVRYTXXA	Avery	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
BAWLTXXA	Bagwell	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
BCHHTXXA	Buckholts	SPRINT/CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO. - TEXAS
BLMRTXXA	Balmorhea	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
BNJMTXXA	Benjamin	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#1
BRCLTXXA	Berclair	SPRINT/CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO. - TEXAS
BSVLTXXA	Boonsville	SPRINT/CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO. - TEXAS
BURLTXXA	Burlington	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
BYNMTXXA	Bynum	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#1
BYRNTXXA	Boys Ranch	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
CHNGTXXA	Channing	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
CHRCTXXA	Charco	SPRINT/CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO. - TEXAS
CPGPTXXA	Cranfills Gap	SPRINT/CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO. - TEXAS
CYNSTXXA	Coyanosa	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
DDSNTXXA	Dodson	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#1
DRZTTXXB	Darrouzett	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#1
ESTLTXXA	Estelline	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#1
FLATTXXA	Flat	SPRINT/UNITED TELEPHONE CO. OF TEXAS
FLLTXXA	Follett	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#1
FRCYTXXA	Frankel City	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
FRSATXXA	Forsan	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#1
GLNFTXXA	Glen Flora	SPRINT/CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO. - TEXAS
GRFRTXXA	Graford	SPRINT/UNITED TELEPHONE CO. OF TEXAS
GROMTXXA	Groom	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#1
HARTTXXA	Hart	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
HDLYTXXA	Hedley	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#1
HGNSTXXA	Higgins	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#1
IMPRTXXA	Imperial	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
IRENTXXA	Irene	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
JNBOTXXA	Jonesboro	SPRINT/UNITED TELEPHONE CO. OF TEXAS
JPLNTXXA	Joplin	SPRINT/UNITED TELEPHONE CO. OF TEXAS
KAMYTXXA	Kamay	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
LKVWTXXA	Lakeview	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#1
LOMTTXXA	Lometa	SPRINT/CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO. - TEXAS
LORNTXXA	Loraine	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
MBTETXXA	Mobeetie	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#1
MGRGTXXA	Megargel	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#1
MIAMTXXA	Miami	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#1
MLANTXXA	Milano	SPRINT/CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO. - TEXAS
MNTNTXXA	Mentone	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
MORNTXXA	Moran	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
MRGNTXXA	Morgan	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
NGLYTXXA	Negley	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
NZRTTXXA	Nazareth	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
ONVLTXXA	Oenaville	SPRINT/CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO. - TEXAS

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ORLATXXA	Oria	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
PAWNTXXA	Pawnee	SPRINT/CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO. - TEXAS
PLPNTXXA	Palo Pinto	SPRINT/UNITED TELEPHONE CO. OF TEXAS
PNTNTXXA	Pennington	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
PRDNTXXA	Purdon	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
PRRNTXXA	Perrin	SPRINT/UNITED TELEPHONE CO. OF TEXAS
PTNMTXXA	Putnam	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
PTTVTXXA	Pottsville	SPRINT/UNITED TELEPHONE CO. OF TEXAS
ROCHTXXA	Rochester	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#1
RSELTXXA	Riesel	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
SLIDTXXA	Slidell	SPRINT/CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO. - TEXAS
SNFRTXXA	Sanford	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
SNSTTXXA	Sunset	SPRINT/CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO. - TEXAS
STDLTXXA	Stockdale	SPRINT/CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO. - TEXAS
THTNTXXA	Thornton	SPRINT/UNITED TELEPHONE CO. OF TEXAS
TOYHTXXA	Toyah	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
TRVLTXA	Turnersville	SPRINT/CENTRAL TELEPHONE CO. - TEXAS
VEGATXXA	Vega	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
VLNTTXXA	Valentine	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
WHFCTXXA	Whiteface	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#1
WLDRTXXA	Wildorado	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2
WNRTTXXA	Weinert	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#1
WNSPTXXA	Walnut Spring	VALOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF TEXAS, LP#2